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Young hunters harvest 1,258 turkeys during 2022 youth turkey season

SPRINGFIELD – Youth turkey hunters harvested a preliminary total of 1,258 birds during the 2022 Illinois youth turkey season March 26-27 and April 2-3.

In 2021, a total of 1,304 turkeys were taken. The record total was set in 2020 when 1,733 turkeys were harvested.

This year, a total of 5,032 youth turkey permits were issued, compared to 5,589 in 2020. The top five counties for harvest during the 2022 youth season were Jefferson (54), Randolph (45), Marion (44), Adams (36) and Pope (30).

The following table shows Illinois youth turkey season preliminary harvest figures by county, with numbers from 2022 and 2021.

County	2022	2021
ADAMS	36	25
ALEXANDER	8	15
BOND	13	15
BOONE	6	7
BROWN	10	10
BUREAU	16	14
CALHOUN	19	17
CARROLL	7	4
CASS	20	17
CHAMPAIGN	0	2
CHRISTIAN	3	5
CLARK	21	18
CLAY	27	22

CLINTON	19	8
COLES	4	2
CRAWFORD	16	13
CUMBERLAND	3	
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DEKALB	0	1
DEWITT	0	2
EDGAR	3	6
EDWARDS	12	9
EFFINGHAM	13	25
FAYETTE	19	44
FRANKLIN	25	21
FULTON	19	18
GALLATIN	15	13
GREENE	13	12
GRUNDY	2	3
HAMILTON	28	41
HANCOCK	29	29
HARDIN	11	9
HENDERSON	15	12
HENRY	12	11
IROQUOIS	8	6
JACKSON	27	24
JASPER	19	13
JEFFERSON	54	53
JERSEY	8	11
JO DAVIESS	24	17
JOHNSON	18	17
KANKAKEE	4	3
KNOX	8	17
LASALLE	3	3
LAWRENCE	7	10
LEE	5	15
LIVINGSTON	6	1
LOGAN	3	1
MACON	4	7
MACOUPIN	28	32
MADISON	26	30
MARION	44	41
MARSHALL	5	7
MASON	6	10
MASSAC	10	3
MCDONOUGH	4	9
MCHENRY	5	11
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NACLEAN.	6	0
MCLEAN	6	8
MENARD	6	9
MERCER	15	18
MONROE	19	16
MONTGOMERY	19	14
MORGAN	5	9
MOULTRIE	1	1
OGLE	13	6
PEORIA	5	10
PERRY	27	21
PIATT	1	0
PIKE	25	38
POPE	30	20
PULASKI	10	8
PUTNAM	2	3
RANDOLPH	45	30
RICHLAND	14	11
ROCK ISLAND	12	7
SALINE	8	15
SANGAMON	8	11
SCHUYLER	16	15
SCOTT	4	10
SHELBY	21	16
ST. CLAIR	15	16
STARK	1	1
STEPHENSON	15	11
TAZEWELL	12	7
UNION	22	23
VERMILION	8	6
WABASH	3	2
WARREN	1	3
WASHINGTON	18	19
WAYNE	25	34
WHITE	14	23
WHITESIDE	4	13
WILL	0	4
WILLIAMSON	23	31
WINNEBAGO	9	9
WOODFORD	6	5
UNKNOWN	0	2
Grand Total	1258	1304